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Identical letters dated 26 January 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I wish to transmit to you herewith the daily report on the activities carried out by the inspection teams of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Iraq on 26 January 2003.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Activities of the UNMOVIC and IAEA inspections teams in Iraq

Inspection activities carried out on Sunday, 26 January 2003

I. IAEA inspection team

Group I

A group of two inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 9 a.m. and arrived in Salman Pak, a suburb of Baghdad. The group made a radiological survey which took two hours, after which the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

Group II

A second group of five inspectors left the Ninawa Palace Hotel in Mosul at 8 a.m. and arrived at Mosul University. The group asked the Assistant President of the University in the presence of a university liaison officer about the number of faculties in the University, its departments, the names of the deans of faculties, the number of students, the number of teaching staff, the number of holders of higher education diplomas and the number of higher education students. The group then inspected the faculties of education, engineering and science and their laboratories. The mission lasted four and a half hours after which the group returned to the Ninawa Palace Hotel.

Group III

A third group of three inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 9.20 a.m. and arrived at the Um al-Ma'arik Company, one of the companies of the Military Industrialization Corporation, 30 kilometres south of Baghdad. The group inspected tube-drawing plant, familiarized themselves with the plant machinery and asked about part of the tube-drawing process carried out in the plant. The group asked about the operating furnaces and the smelting temperature. The group used radioactivity measuring devices in making surveys around one of the lighting rods. The mission took three hours after which the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

II. UNMOVIC inspection team (biological)

Group I

A group of seven inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 8.30 a.m. and arrived at the cattle plague laboratory of the General Company for Veterinary Science, one of the companies of the Ministry of Agriculture located in the Shaykh

Umar district of Baghdad. The group interviewed the director-general of the cattle plague project, asking him about the activities of the project, the most recent recorded outbreak of cattle plague, the type of animals affected, the number of samples taken for analysis purposes and about cooperation with other bodies. The group inspected the cattle plague laboratories and the laboratories of the quality control section, closely scrutinizing the items of equipment marked with stickers. The mission lasted an hour and a half, after which the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

Group II

A second group of six inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 8.45 a.m. and arrived at the Institute of Chest and Respiratory Diseases belonging to the health protection department of the Ministry of Health in the Bab al-Mu'azzam district of Baghdad. The group asked the specialists about the number of buildings and why the name of the institute had been changed, what cases of disease came to the institute, whether there had been an increase in the number of cases of tuberculosis, how many such cases there were and whether the institute treated cases of leprosy. The group then inspected all parts of the institute and its laboratories and photographed one of the items of equipment used. The mission lasted an hour and a quarter after which the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

III. UNMOVIC inspection team (chemical)

A team of six inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 9 a.m. and arrived at the Nahrawan site which belongs to the Bassel State Enterprise, a subsidiary of the Military Industrialization Corporation. The team asked the specialists about the output of the site, whether it produced chemicals and about the consumers of the oil production. The group made a tour of the facilities of the site during which they asked questions about the nature of the work of the production units and the design capacity of each unit. The team took eight samples, two liquid and six swab samples, from various production sites. The mission lasted two and a half hours after which the team returned to the Canal Hotel.

IV. UNMOVIC inspection team (missiles)

Group I

A group of seven inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 8.30 a.m. and arrived at the Karamah Company (Ibn Al-Haitham site), which is one of the companies of the Military Industrialization Corporation, 10 kilometres north of Baghdad. The purpose of the visit was to meet specialists at the site to discuss the Samoud missile and the reasons that motivated the enlargement of the missile's calibre and the tests performed on it. During the meeting which lasted five hours the group asked many questions connected with the motors and the control and guidance system. The group then returned to the Canal Hotel.

Group II

A second group of 12 inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 8.45 a.m. and arrived at the Rashid plant in the Hattin State Company, one of the companies of the Military Industrialization Corporation, 50 kilometres south of Baghdad. The group interviewed the director of the plant and some of the specialists to ascertain the nature of the work of the plant, its activities, the authorities supporting it, the number of employees and engineers in the plant and its plan for the future. The group scrutinized the notices of the company. The mission lasted two hours after which the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

V. UNMOVIC joint inspection team

The team of nine inspectors left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 9.20 a.m. and arrived at the Kut military hospital 160 kilometres south of Baghdad in the city of Kut, Wasit governorate. The inspection team interviewed the commandant of the hospital and asked him questions unrelated to the team's mission such as whether the hospital accepted military and retired military patients or only military personnel and their families, the number of beds in the hospital, whether doctors were trained there, whether there were doctors with higher diplomas and whether there were laboratories. The team asked the commandant of the hospital about the date of his appointment as commandant. After that the team inspected all parts of the hospital except the lobbies. Members of the public were demonstrating outside the gates of the hospital in protest against the inspection operations. The mission lasted two hours and 20 minutes after which the team returned to the Canal Hotel.

VI. UNMOVIC joint inspection team in Mosul

A team of 13 inspectors left the Ninawa Palace Hotel at 8.15 a.m. and arrived at the Jazirah Refinery belonging to the North Oil Refinery. The team interviewed the officer responsible for liaison with the National Monitoring Directorate and asked him about the most important changes during the previous four years, the types of maintenance and whether prophylactic drugs were available. The official in charge of the refinery gave a brief explanation of the production operations and the team removed the sensor box at the refinery. The mission lasted two and a half hours after which the team returned to the Ninawa Palace Hotel.